

### REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully requested in view of the amendment above and comments below.

Claims 1, 2 and 6-13 are pending in the subject application. Claim 1 has been amended to delete the term "mature" which was inadvertently added to the claim in the previous amendment.

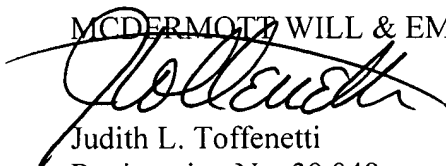
No new matter is added by this amendment to the claim.

It is respectfully submitted that the application, as amended above, is in condition for allowance, an early notification thereof being earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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